NOTICE OF INTENT TO REISSUE A HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT PERMIT TO EASTMAN CHEMICAL COMPANY FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE STORAGE UNITS

Fact Sheet Map

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation's (TDEC) Division of Solid Waste Management (DSWM) proposes to reissue a hazardous waste management permit to Eastman Chemical Company (Eastman) that would allow the facility to continue to operate existing hazardous waste storage units at the Kingsport Tennessee facility. This action follows the March 7, 2005 pre-application public meeting in accordance with Rule 1200-1-11-.07(2)(c)3(i). The pre-application public meeting was conducted by Eastman personnel and attended by DSWM personnel to inform interested persons of the permit renewal application and the process. No comments were received at this meeting.

Eastman Chemical Company, Tennessee Operations (EPA ID No.: TND 00 337 6928), located on Eastman Road in Kingsport, Sullivan County, TN 37660, is currently permitted under Tennessee Permit Number TNHW-086, to store hazardous waste in containers and tanks. This permit was originally issued on September 29, 1995 and became effective on that date. The existing permit was issued under the authority of the Tennessee Hazardous Waste Management Act and the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). The existing permit (TNHW-086) originally authorized Eastman to store hazardous waste in eleven container storage units and seven tank storage units. Eastman closed three of the eleven originally permitted container storage units and DSWM concurred with the closure certification dated March 6, 2007. Eastman closed three of the seven originally permitted storage tanks and DSWM concurred with the closure certification dated May 12, 2008. The conditions for corrective action of solid waste management units and areas of concern at Eastman are addressed in a separate hazardous waste permit TNHW-107.

Eastman submitted an application for the renewal of the permit authorizing the storage of hazardous waste in containers and tanks dated March 29, 2005 thus allowing the facility to continue to operate under the current permit until a final decision is made. The DSWM reviewed the application and noted deficiencies in correspondence dated February 21, 2007. Eastman submitted a revision addressing the noted deficiencies to the original application on April 27, 2007. As the result of discussions between the DSWM and Eastman personnel, Eastman submitted an additional revision dated March 31, 2008.

The proposal is for the hazardous waste permit to be reissued allowing Eastman to continue to store hazardous waste in eight container units and four tanks under the authority of the Tennessee Hazardous Waste Management Act of 1977, as amended, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-212-101 et seq., and Tennessee Rule Chapter 1200-1-11, <u>Hazardous Waste Management</u>.

The draft permit is prepared in accordance with the provisions of Tennessee Rule 1200-1-11-.07. A fact sheet has been prepared that summarizes the conditions of the draft permit. If the permit is reissued it would be effective for ten years.

Copies of Eastman's renewal application and Eastman's revisions and the DSWM's draft permit, fact sheet and public notice are available for public inspection at the following locations: Kingsport Public Library, Reference Desk, 400 Broad St., Kingsport, TN (423-224-2539); Johnson City Environmental Field Office, Public Access Area, 2305 Silverdale Road, Johnson City, TN 37601 (423-854-5400); Division of Solid Waste Management (Central Office), 5th Floor, L & C Tower, 401 Church St., Nashville, TN 37243-1535 (615-532-0780). Normal state office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on weekdays excluding legal holidays. The contact person for Eastman Chemical Company is Julia Williams at 423-229-1400.

Any interested person may submit written comments on DSWM's proposal or request a public hearing by contacting: Mr. Richard A. Whitson; Division of Solid Waste Management; TDEC; 2305 Silverdale Road, Johnson City, Tennessee 37601 (423-854-5464). Requests for a public hearing must state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised at the hearing. The comments or request for a public hearing must be received

by <u>4:30 p.m., July 31, 2008</u>, to assure consideration. After considering all public comments received, the DSWM Director will issue a final permit decision and a Response to Comments.

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Persons who wish to be on DSWM's mailing list should request a <u>Mailing List Request</u> form by calling or writing: Public Participation Officer; Division of Solid Waste Management; Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation; 5th Floor, L & C Tower; 401 Church Street; Nashville, TN 37243-1535; phone 615-532-9417; or e-mail <u>Solid.Waste@state.tn.us</u>.

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